

PROVINCIAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PROVINCIAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE) HELD ON FEBRUARY 27, 2023 AT THE JUANITO CAMBANGAY CONFERENCE ROOM, PROVINCIAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, 2ND FLOOR, PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, TAGBILARAN CITY, BOHOL, PHILIPPINES.

In Attendance:

Acting Gov. Dionisio Victor A. Balite.....Chairman, Presiding Officer

and

Majority of the Members of the PDC Executive Committee

PDC EXECOM RESOLUTION NO. 47-2023

A RESOLUTION FAVORABLY ENDORSING THE CONDUCT OF A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTEGRATED FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM FOR THE LOBOC WATERSHED USING THE SABO DAM TECHNOLOGY TO THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL - REGION VII (RDC-VII), NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY - REGION VII (NEDA-VII), NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (NDRRMC) AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS (DPWH) FOR SUPPORT AND FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Philippines is one of the most cyclone-prone countries in the world, lying on what is often described as the 'typhoon belt', approximately 19-20 cyclones enter the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR) annually, with 7-9 of which reach landfall;

WHEREAS, the Province of Bohol, based on studies from relevant national government agencies, is prone to multiple natural hazards due to its geographic location and physical characteristics;

WHEREAS, flooding incidents have been a common occurrence in the municipality of Loboc and other municipalities within the Loboc Watershed, which caused damage to properties, disruption of livelihoods, and even injuries and loss of lives of people;

WHEREAS, the construction of an integrated flood control system for the Loboc Watershed using the Sabo Dam technology is a viable economic option, consistent with the strategies of the Bohol Spatial Development Framework of building resilient infrastructures and fully supportive of the development thrusts of the National Government as well as the Provincial Government of Bohol and its Strategic Governance Roadmap and such proposed project is found to be consistent with the respective LGUs' land use plan;

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WHEREAS, the project will directly benefit the Province of Bohol, particularly the people of Loboc and the municipalities encompassed by the Loboc Watershed by preventing the occurrence of floods which will promote public safety and reduce the risks that such flooding pose on the inhabitants;

WHEREAS, the preparation of a Feasibility Study for the proposed establishment of an integrated flood control system in the Loboc Watershed using the Sabo Dam technology is directly aligned with the Provincial Government's development strategy on environmental sustainability, climate-smart agriculture, sustainable tourism and disaster risk reduction:

WHEREAS, this Body, after deliberation, has found that the proposed establishment of an integrated flood control for the Loboc Watershed using Sabo Dam technology is a strategic program that will spur further the economic growth of localities through increased business opportunities brought about by the reduction of business risks from floods and related hazards an essential element in the sustainable development of Bohol, thus worthy of support and favorable endorsement to appropriate government agencies for funding and technical support;

WHEREFORE, upon proper motion duly seconded, be it resolved by this Body in a meeting duly convened -

To favorably endorse the conduct of a feasibility study for the proposed establishment of an integrated flood control system for the Loboc Watershed using the Sabo Dam technology to the Regional Development Council - Region VII (RDC-VII), National Economic and Development Authority - Region VII (NEDA-VII), National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) and the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) for funding support

RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnish copies of this Resolution to the National Distaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), DPWH Regional Office VII, DPWH 3rd District Engineering Office, Hon. Kristine Alexie B. Tutor, 3rd Congressional District of Bohol for their wholehearted support.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

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I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing Resolution.

ATTY. JOHN TITUS J. VISTAL

Head, PDC Secretariat

APPROVED:

DIONISIO VICTOR A. BALITE Acting Governor Acting Chairman, PDC-Bohol